

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Applicant:	David K. Vavro et al.	§	Art Unit:	2181
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For:	Digital Signal Processor Having a Plurality of Independent Dedicated Processors	§	Atty Docket:	ITL.0286US P7814
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		§	Assignee:	Intel Corporation

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REPLY BRIEF

The Examiner's Answer is based on a fundamental misapprehension of the applicable technology. The Examiner inexplicably insists that computers that do different operations have different instruction sets. This is simply untrue and the Examiner provides no support for this surprising conclusion. Computers that do different operations are simply programmed differently, even though they have the same instruction set. For example, one X86 processor may do one operation and another X86 processor with the same instruction set may do another operation. The reason for this is that they were programmed differently. That is why you have programmable devices. You can program them to do different operations. But the mere fact that they do different operations does not mean that they have different instruction sets.

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Therefore, the rejection should be reversed.

Respectfully submitted,

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